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TOPIC Military Information from Leipzig

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REMARKS

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1. The Flak Kaserne on Luetzenerstrasse, Leipzig-Schoenau (N 52/E 21), quartered an estimated 2,500 troops on 21 December 1950. Soldiers observed wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia, and black epaulets without branch-of-service insignia. A platoon of soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets was engaged in record firing with rifles and machine guns at the drill field directly west of the installation. Recruits practicing close combat and firing with light machine guns, rifles and submachine guns were seen at the drill field beside the orchard. Motor vehicles [REDACTED] were seen in the billeting area.

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2. The Flak Kaserne on Torgauerstrasse, Leipzig-Meierblich, was occupied by about 1,500 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, some of them with tank insignia. Many of the troops were recruits. [REDACTED] identified one tank unit with T-43 tanks and one AT artillery unit with 47-mm AT guns. Student drivers at the drill field were trained on T-43 tanks. At the same time another group of soldiers practiced with 47-mm AT guns, aiming at the moving tanks. Motor vehicles [REDACTED] were seen. (1)

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3. [REDACTED] 16 tanks were in the garage along the western fence of the Flak Kaserne, Schoenau. [REDACTED] (phonetic spelling) was said to be the commanding officer of the tank unit in the installation.

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4. The central Soviet Army hospital in Leipzig-Gohlis had [REDACTED] which was also [REDACTED] for all patients. [REDACTED] fever charts. The hospital staff had [REDACTED] (2) A lieutenant colonel was chief physician of the hospital, which was organized into a surgical ward, a medical ward, a tuberculosis ward, an eye, ear, nose and throat ward, a maternity ward, a dermatological ward, a chemical laboratory, a bacteriological laboratory, X-ray, and a pharmacy, the last with an [REDACTED] A special hospital for venereal diseases was said to be located in Grimma. Wassermann tests were being run in the Leipzig university clinics. The medical ward had 100 beds, the dermatological ward 60 to 80 beds and the surgical ward 100 to 120 beds. About 60 percent of the hospital beds were occupied on 6 January 1951. The patients were soldiers of all branches of service, including air force. Many of them had come from the Leipzig area, Dessau, Littenberg and Zorbst.

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mong the patients were [redacted] (fnu), who was said to have been in Germany for one and a half years and to belong to a unit in Taucha; [redacted] (fnu), a friend of [redacted] and also assigned to the unit in Taucha; and [redacted] (fnu), a physician who was allegedly stationed in Altenburg. [redacted] and [redacted] in Leipzig were mentioned on hospital vouchers.

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[redacted] were seen on lists. Letters addressed to patients were mailed by personnel of [redacted]. Other letters addressed to patients bore [redacted] and [redacted] Unidentified documents bore [redacted]

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[redacted] Comments.

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- (1) [redacted] the Flak Kaserno, Lohsenu, to have quartered about 1,500 troops, and the barracks installation in Heiterblick about 2,000 troops on [redacted] Except for the strength figures, the present report does not indicate any substantial changes over the last report. See KGL-11064.

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